PUBLIC NOTICE

PERMIT APPLICATION: NRS #04.155

APPLICANT: State of Tennessee

Department of Transportation

Environmental Planning and Permits Division

Suite 900, J. K. Polk Bldg. 505 Deaderick Street Nashville, TN 37243-0334

615/253-2477

LOCATION: State Route 66

Hamblen County

WATERSHED DESCRIPTION: The Williams Creek watershed consists of numerous small tributaries. Land use is predominantly rural residential/agriculture. The affected tributaries are primarily cobble/bedrock bottomed and vary in width approximately 2 to 4 feet wide with 2-4 foot banks. The existing vegetation along the stream channel is mature trees, mainly Boxelder, Locust, Hackberry, and Cedar.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The applicant proposes to construct 0.286 miles of SR-66 (Log Miles 2.10, 2.43, 2.68, & 2.77). This would involve the stream encapsulations and relocations.

Station 22+99: Unnamed tributary. The applicant proposes to install 40 ft. of 6 ft. X 6 ft. box culvert. Associated with this impact would be a temporary runaround consisting of 88 ft. of 2 @ 24" corrugated metal pipe.

Station 52+50+/- (Lt.): Williams Creek. The applicant proposes 26 ft. of stream bank stabilization.

Station 54+23.92: Williams Creek. The applicant proposes to install 56 ft. of 8 ft. X 6 ft. of slab culvert.

Station 58+78.65: Williams Creek. The applicant proposes to install 46 ft. of 12 ft. X 6 ft. of box culvert

Station 56+09+/- Rt.) to Sta.56+80+/- (Rt.): Williams Creek. The applicant proposes to relocate the existing 110 ft. of open stream into a constructed channel 76 ft. in length, resulting in a loss of 34 ft. of stream length.

Station 57+93+/- (Rt.) to Sta. 58+70+/- (Rt.): Spring. The applicant proposes relocate the existing 52 ft. of open stream into a constructed channel 80 ft. in length.

Paying \$6,800.00 to the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Foundation for the In-lieu Fee Stream Mitigation Bank would mitigate stream impacts (34' at \$200/ft) not mitigated on site. Standard erosion control devices would be used to prevent sediment from entering flowing water. Upon completion of the work, all disturbed areas would be stabilized.

PERMIT COORDINATOR: Brian Canada, STATE OF TENNESSEE, Department of Environment and Conservation Division of Water Pollution Control, 7th Floor, L&C Annex, 401 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-1534

USGS TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLE: Morristown, TN (163-NE).

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The application described above has been submitted for an Aquatic Resource Alteration Permit pursuant to *The Tennessee Water Quality Control Act of* 1977, T.C.A. §69-3-108.

The purpose of this notice is to advise all concerned of the proposal for which a permit is sought, and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the probable impact of the activities upon the respective water resources. The decision whether to issue or deny will in part be based upon that evaluation. All factors that may be relevant to the proposals will be considered.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the issuance of a proposed permit are invited to submit comments in writing to the Department of Environment and Conservation Division of Water Pollution Control at the address listed above. Written statements received in this office on or before the date of expiration of the comment period thirty days from the publication date of this notice will become part of the record and will be considered in the determination. The applicant's name and permit number should be referenced.

Interested persons may also request in writing that the director of the Division hold a public hearing on any application. The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person requesting it, and the reasons that the hearing is warranted. When there is sufficient public interest, the director shall hold a hearing in accordance with Rule 1200-4-7-.04(4)(f).

After consideration of comments submitted during the public comment period, the hearing record if any, and the requirements of federal and State law, the director of the Division will make determinations regarding the final action on each permit. Permit applications, supporting documentation, and related comments are available for review and/or copying.

